CONCRETE WEARING SURFACE

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Description.

This work consists of placing a concrete wearing surface, to the specified thickness, on precast concrete deck beams. Included in this work is cleaning and preparing the concrete deck beam surface prior to placement of the concrete wearing surface.

Materials.

The concrete wearing surface shall meet the requirements for class BD concrete according to Section 1020 of the Standard Specifications except the 14 day design strength shall be 34,500 kPa (5000 psi).

Surface Preparation.

Prior to placement of the concrete wearing surface, the top surface of the bridge deck beams shall be clean and free of all foreign material.

Blast cleaning may be performed by either wet sandblasting, high pressure waterblasting, steel shot blasting, shrouded dry sandblasting, dry sandblasting with dust collectors, or other methods approved by the Engineer. Oil traps on blast equipment will be required.

The method used shall be performed so as to conform with air and water pollution regulations of Illinois and also to conform to applicable safety and health regulations. Any method which does not consistently produce satisfactory work and does not conform to the above requirements shall be discontinued and replaced by an acceptable method.

All debris of every type, including dirty water, resulting from cleaning operation shall be reasonably confined during the performance of the cleaning work and shall be immediately and thoroughly removed from the cleaned surfaces and all other areas where debris may have accumulated.

Prior to placement of the concrete wearing surface, the Engineer will inspect the cleaned surface, all areas still contaminated shall be cleaned again at the Contractor's expense.

Wearing Surface Placement.

The concrete wearing surface placement shall be done according to Article 503.17 of the Standard Specifications. Dry sandblast cleaned areas to receive the overlay shall be either thoroughly or continuously wetted with water at least one hour before placement of the concrete wearing surface is started. When the surface is pre-wetted any accumulations of water shall be dispersed or removed prior to placement of the concrete wearing surface.

Plans for anchoring support rails and the mixture-placing procedure shall be submitted to the Engineer for approval.

Method of Measurement.

This work will be measured for payment in square meters (square yards) and is defined as the horizontal surface area of, inplace and accepted, concrete wearing surface.

Basis of Payment.
This work including cleaning and surface preparation will be paid for at the contract unit price per square meter (square yard) for CONCRETE WEARING SURFACE, of the thickness specified.